MR. P. S. NATARAJA PILLAI: What is the credit of the account?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISNNAN: The metal was a loan.

MR. P. M. VARGHESE: May I know whether a substitute has been sent to the place?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: It is being replaced at the cost of the aerodrome.

Roller-engines.

13. SAHIB BAHADJR K. A. MOHAMED: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether it is a fact that most of the useful roller-engines intended for road-building and maintenance are taken away for the construction of the Aerodrome; and

(*b*) how many of them were working there at a time?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: (*a*) No.

(*b*) Eight as a maximum.

MR. P. O. THOMAS: May I know the number of roller-engines in the State employed for maintaining the roads?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: There are 21 roller-engines in all, in the State.

MR. P. O. THOMAS: How many were brought to the aerodrome?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: There was a maximum of eight for a few days. There are only four now.

MR. P. M. VARGHESE: May I know how many of them are in working order?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: Almost all except two which are in the workshops.

Air Service.

14. ❋MR. P. K. KURIAKOSE (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of aeroplanes belonging to the Government of Travancore;

(*b*) the price given for each;

(*c*) the places where aerodromes have been provided; and

(*d*) whether any company has applied for sanction to conduct air service between Travancore and other parts?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: (*a*) None.

(*b*) Does not arise.

(*c*) Does not arise.

(*d*) Yes.

MR. P. K. KURIAKOSE: Which are the companies that have asked for permission for starting the servic?

PRESIDENT: No company. I have already stated that an agreement has been entered into with the Tata Airways Company. That is the only company and there is no other company.

MR. P. K. KURIAKOSE: Were they given sanction for that?

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